

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

October 28, 2010

Minutes of the Economic Development Commission held at 8:15 A.M., on Thursday, October 28, 2010.

Members Present: First Selectman Freda, Richard LoPresti, Deborah Moore, Todd DePino, Frank Maher, Radha Prasad

Members Absent: William Gambardella, Walter Mann

Mr. Freda asked for a motion to change the order of the agenda.

Mr. LoPresti made a motion to change the order of the agenda to begin with CT Main Street. Seconded by, Mr. Maher.

VOTE: All

CONNECTICUT MAIN STREET – J. SIMONE

Mr. LoPresti introduced Mr. John Simone of CT Main Street Center to the Commission members. Connecticut Main Street Center is the state's leading source for cities and towns ready to create a long-term, positive change to their town centers. Mr. Simone then gave an extensive presentation after which commission members asked questions. Mr. Freda said he would like to transform the center block into a more vibrant area with retail, commercial, restaurants and ample parking similar to Madison, Guilford and Branford town centers.

SHOW AND SELL

Mr. DePino made a motion to table Show and Sell until the November Meeting. Seconded by Mr. LoPresti.

VOTE: All

M. FREDA UPDATE

Mr. Freda reported that we are very close to securing a tenant at 291 State Street. The property will be sub-divided into four (4) areas with three (3) areas being populated within four months.

Mr. Freda also said that he may have a decision on a big project that he has been working on for eight months within the next week. He will keep the Commission updated on this project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for November 18, 2010, at 8:15 a.m.

There being no further business before the Commission Mr. Prasad moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 AM, seconded by Ms. Moore.

